

ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

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MESSAGE

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

THE FIRST REPORT OF THE COMMISSION FOR THE CELEBRATION  
OF THE TWO HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF  
GEORGE WASHINGTON

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*To the Congress of the United States:*

In accordance with the wishes of the Commission for the Celebration of the Two hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington, I hereby transmit to the Congress its first report.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

THE WHITE HOUSE,  
*February 19, 1925.*

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSION FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE TWO-  
HUNDRETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

On call of President Coolidge the commission met at the White House Monday, February 16, 1925, and was called to order by the President at 10 a. m.

The President briefly addressed the commission.

On motion of Senator Fess, the President was authorized to appoint a secretary pro tempore and designated Representative John Q. Tilson, of Connecticut, as secretary pro tempore.

On motion of Senator Fess, the President was authorized to appoint a committee on permanent organization and designated as such committee Senators Simeon D. Fess and Carter Glass and Representative Willis C. Hawley.

The chairman of the commission was authorized, in consultation with the executive committee to be hereafter appointed, to appoint an executive secretary.

The President was requested to announce to the country the general purpose of the commission, and the President agreed to comply with the request.

The executive committee was authorized to look after the budget and franking privilege for the commission's purposes.

The executive committee was authorized to select such clerical assistance as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of Senate Resolution No. 85.

The executive committee was authorized to secure headquarters in the Capitol or Senate Office Building for the use of the commission.

The executive committee was authorized to select a committee on publicity to carry into effect article 3 of Senate Resolution No. 85, to receive and handle plans received on the character of the celebration to be held, and report the same to the full commission.

In accordance with Senate Resolution No. 85, President Coolidge was selected to issue the formal address to the American people at some later date, when the plans of the commission have become more definite.

The executive committee was authorized in the interim between meetings of the full commission to act for the commission, and in the name of the full commission to make the report to the Congress required by the resolution, the President to transmit the report to the Congress.

Attest:

JOHN Q. TILSON,  
*Secretary pro tempore.*

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